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For the concise explanation of relevance for Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open Nos. 5-77422, 5-193141 and 11-334069, the Examiner is referred to the English-language abstracts enclosed herewith, to pages 1 and 2 of the specification, where those documents are discussed, and, in the case of JP 5-77422, to U.S. Patent No. 5,754,202, which is an English-language counterpart thereof.

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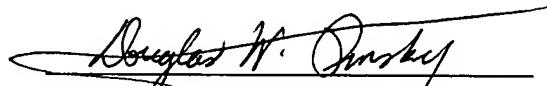
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	5,754,202	05/1998	Sekiya et al.			
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
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	JP 5-77422	03/1993	Japan			Abstract*
	JP 5-193141	08/1993	Japan			Abstract
	JP 11-334069	12/1999	Japan			Abstract
OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)						
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